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STOP THE MUSIC

By Jean Suleiman

I AM SURE that many of us have played this game at one time or another; how-ever, it is time for Church of God youth to get together and really play "Stop the Music."

The music I am referring to is so loud and forceful that it is penetrating the ears of Christian youth—especially the holiness youth. Yes, this music has become sweet harmony to our ears and a balm to our nerves. The dayli's symphony to to our nerves. The devil's symphony is being played in so many ways today that Many of us have become so attracted to it They hear it in the stores, in daily conversation, in the car and in the home. Many of us have become so attached to it that we have stopped our music—the music that our forefathers in the faith have left us. Why is it that Communism is taking over so rapidly? That some of our church youth are joining the devil's parade? That holiness has become a legend? The an-swer is, "Because we have not stopped the music!" Young people, I challenge you to join forces; let us polish our holiness instruments and sound the music that our forefathers in the faith started many years forefathers in the faith started many years ago. By doing so, we can penetrate the strongest barriers. We can hush the voice of Communism to a whisper. We can stop the music at home, at school, in the universities, in the offices, on the streets or wherever we are. Let us stand up for holiness and proclaim its victory. Let us lift high our heads and claim our place as representatives of the King of Holiness. This is our privilege. The world is getting This is our privilege. The world is getting tired of the howling of Khrushchev and the sound of jets and the speeches of presidents. It needs what we possess, and it is now power to stop the devil's it is in our power to stop the devil's music now

It is up to us, the Church of God youth. Our forefathers stopped it before us, and we can do it now. Let us not compromise with unholy music. It is not our job to criticize or to construct it. Many have erred by doing so. But, let us stop it by will help to sound the music of holiness throughout the world. God is looking to us to venture out boldly, carrying the banner of "without holiness no man shall see the Lord," and marching forward in His name shouting, "Stop the Music."



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1. In the verbal inspiration of the Bible. 2. In one God eternally existing in three persons; namely, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. That Jesus Christ is the only begotten Son of the Father, conceived of the Holy Ghost, and born of the Virgin Mary. That Jesus was crucified, buried, and raised from the dead; that He ascended to heaven and is today at the right hand of the Father as the Intercessor. 4. That all have sinned and come short of the glory of God, and that repentance is commanded of God for all and necessary for forgiveness of sins. 5. That justification, regeneration, and the new birth are wrought by faith in the blood of Jesus Christ. 6. In sanctification subsequent to the new birth, through faith in the blood of Christ; through the Word, and by the Holy Ghost. 7. Holiness to be God's standard of living for His people. 8. In the baptism of the Holy Ghost. 5. Holiness to be God's standard of living with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance, and that it is the initial evidence of the baptism of the Holy Ghost. 10. In water baptism by immersion, and all who repent should be baptised in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. 11. Divine healing is provided for all in the atonement. 12. In the Lord's Supper and washing of Jesus. First, to resurrect the righteous dead and to catch away the living saints to Him in the air Second, to reign on the earth a thousand years. 14. In the bodily resurrection; eternal life for the righteous and eternal punishment for the wicked.

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### ONE WAY TO RUN IN CIRCLES

Y CAR HAS a remarkable device on it, a rear view mirror. Sometime ago this mirror was broken and I had to do without it for a few days until it could be replaced. Then I realized how constantly I use it as I drive.

This device is so arranged that the driver can glance quickly into it as he drives along the road. In this way he can know if the way is clear when he must change his speed, alter his course, or even drive peacefully to his destination. A quick and vigilant glance warns him of danger. Yet, a prolonged look or intent gaze is also a danger. Any man who attempts to drive forward while looking behind him will surely meet disaster. The only safe way to travel is to look forward at all times with only hasty looks into the past as they become

Our lives are like that. We must look forward if we are to make progress. A brief look into the past may be a helpful thing, but if we prolong the look we will gradually come to a standstill or we will end up in a ditch. Sometime we dream of the past as if it were altogether good and desirable, but no good can ever come from living too long in the past. We must use the past in order to get our bearings, to gauge our progress, to give us anchorage and balance-but our living, our dreams, our hopes, our deeds must be in the present. The past was only our starting point: if we ever allow it by inversion to become our destination, then we are no longer making progress but have begun to travel in circles.

THIS IS OUR Diamond Jubilee year. We are now seventy-five years old. Our beginning is far enough in the past that we are able to see it without remembering too much about its hardships and without reliving its difficulties. Because of this it is possible for us to attach more glamor and desirability to it than we should. Though the past may have had its advantages, it also had its share of problems. Those old saints of God who lived in our past would have envied our day with its advancements and advantages. They dreamed of a day of such opportunity as ours.

But what about us? We must be a forward looking people, for it is in the here and now that we will find our opportunities and possibilities to do the work of the Lord. We betray our past and the past betrays us unless we can profit from its lessons, use it as a starting point rather than a destination, make it a foundation on which to build and not a bed in which to lie. A good look into the past is good for us at all times, but we must keep in mind the fact that memory tends to erase unpleasantness and magnify the good.

We are closer to our destination than we were seventy-five years ago. We still have not reached it. but the goal is still before us. During this year we have all striven for specific goals. We must continue to strive for them, for only in so striving can we be worthy of our past.

The Church of God started out as an evangelistic church. We must pursue this evangelism with all our hearts. If we remember past evangelism more than we exert effort for present evangelism then we are no longer doing the work of God.

The Church of God started out as a church of love. If now we dream of past fellowship instead of achieving present fellowship, with unity and understanding and forbearance, then we are running in circles and have stopped going forward.

The Church of God started out as a holiness church. As we look back we see an unbroken trail of holiness preaching and living behind us. If we become so beguiled by the past that we do not recognize the present need and presence of holiness then we have missed the mark, we have been diverted from our course, we are running in circles.

It is as important to have a goal as it is necessary to have a point of departure. It is as necessary to have a vision of the future as it is to have a dream of the past. It is as necessary to have cause as it is to have heritage. It is as necessary to have being as it is to have been.

A glance into the past with a steady look forward will keep us in a straight line. Any other form of motion will twist us and turn us from our course.

Charles W. Cour

### FORWARD IN FAITH

RAY H. HUGHES,

Radio Minister



These are a few of the letters from listeners. Many questions are answered and problems needing Scriptural counsel are solved each week through the mail. This is another example of FORWARD IN FAITH reaching the people with the message of hope.

"I heard your program for the first time last night and enjoyed it very much. May I ask this a christian; in fact, I know I'm all wrong in the you can give me in this matter. Also, if possible, may I please have a copy of the message you hoping to hear from you soon. I shall be listening for your program again."—Arkansas.

"I heard your radio sermon on, "Does God Demand Tithing?" and it struck home. As a result of your very clear sermon, I surrender a portion of my tithes to your ministry. I thank God for men like you who stand up against the hosts of hell and call sin "Sin." Brother Hughes, I come from a family of conservative Baptists, and my wife and I belong to a Baptist Church. I have been listening to Pentecostal preaching over the radio and want to start attending a Pentecostal Church, but my wife does not. Please pray for me and my family concerning this matter and send me a copy of your sermon on "Tithing."—Georgia.

"I have been listening to your radio messages Sunday after Sunday through Radio Casino from Limon, Costa Rica. Your sermons are a real blessing to me as well as to my family. You cannot ing to me as well as to my family. You cannot help to me in learning more about things from help to me in learning more about things from the Bible. I use them in my teaching as well as reading them to shut-ins. I do hope and pray as reading them to shut-ins. I do hope and pray that FORWARD IN FAITH will be translated inthat FORWARD IN FAITH will be translated into the languages. We live in a Spanish country and it certainly would be a means of many Spanand it certainly could be coming to Christ. Thank you so much for your prayers."—Nicaragua, C. A.

"Please send me your free bumper sticker which you advertised on yesterday's broadcast from St. Louis. Let me say how much I enjoy your program. It fills a vital ministry to many listeners who have become dissatisfied with a fromal and ritualistic program which is about all you can hear today. Your format, music, and preaching are much better than our own denomination's national broadcast. Please send murther information concerning your work."—Minister, Missouri.

"I enjoy your broadcast each Sunday and would like to request the messages which you have in print. I was asked to listen to your sermons on radio by my dear sister who was a devoted Christian, but passed away a few months ago. I would like to tell you that by her asking me to listen to your program which she loved, it has brought me to completely surrender my life to Christ."—Florida.

"I want to tell you what a joy your message was to me this past Sunday. I was facing a problem it seemed I could not meet; but after hearing The assurance of His "I will never leave thee nor always enjoy all of your broadcasts and tell my on you and your broadcasts and tell my on you and your broadcasts and tell my on you and your broadcast and may it gladden many hearts as it has mine."—Tennessee.

"I heard your stirring and fiery message Sunday. God is making His chosen ones "flames of fire" today. This is the first time I have heard you and I am so glad I chanced to turn your way. Your sermon happened to be my very need. I received the Baptism a few years ago, but stopped before the fullness of the tongues came in. I want the full Baptism with fire. Enclosed find one dollar which is all I have. Please send me this message on the Holy Ghost."—California.

"I have received your letter and am very happy to know that you have been so interested in me to know that you have been so interested in me to you that from the time I received your healing cloth, I haven't had even one attack of is such a blessing to me and by God's help, dollar each month. Your tracts are also a bless-I gave one to a young man and he wrote me telling me how much his soul was blessed by it.

FORWARD IN FAITH

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### FORWARD IN FAITH

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JAMES A. CROSS General Overseer

SUNDAY: THE RADIO is turned on and the exuberant voice of Bennie Triplett booms out FORWARD IN FAITH. The strains of "Like a Mighty Army" fill the air and another broadcast is winging its way into homes and hearts across the nation.

For the past two years and ten months many of you have listened to this gospel service of the Church of God. No doubt you have purposed to write FOR-WARD IN FAITH, but somehow, just never got around to actually doing so. This is the time for you to put in action your many good intentions to write.

The ensuing thirty days are "Letterama Time" for the broadcast. Write that letter and mail it now today. Lay aside this *Evangel* and before doing another thing, write. If you wait, too many things will interfere—so right now, tell Brother Hughes and the entire radio staff about your deep appreciation of their labors of love for God and the Church.

The singers and workers come week after week to make your broadcast a blessing. They spend hours in practice in order to give you their very best. This is a labor of love. The only pay they receive is when they hear from you, expressing your joy and blessing received from listening to them. Some who sing in the choir hire baby-sitters to care for their children at their own expense in order to bring you the gospel in song. Others, after long hours of work on a job, sacrifice rest to join the group in singing. Will you write and tell them that you are grateful for the work of God they are doing? Your radio minister and program director are inspired when you write.

This next month is appreciation month. Let us all unite our efforts in one concerted move to flood the radio office with your expressions of gratitude for this work of the Church of God. Show your support by your letter. I am counting on YOU to write to: FORWARD IN FAITH, Cleveland, Tennessee.



### YOU CAN RECEIVE "FORWARD IN FAITH" IN YOUR AREA.

H. D. WILLIAMS
Second Assistant General Overseer

IT MIGHT BE SURPRISING to you how easily arrangements can be made for the radio voice of the Church of God to be heard each Sunday throughout your community. Here are some of the methods others have used in securing broadcast time.

In almost every area there are stations who have allowed public service time for religious broadcasters. Where the local pastor or congregation has adequate influence and prestige, this time is available to them for the asking. Audition tapes are available and often help acquaint the station management with the type and caliber of the broadcast.

LOCAL SPONSORSHIP offers many advantages. When a local church pays for station time, the people can take full advantage of publicizing their church and its activities. Public service time is a gift from the station management until that time is bought by a purchaser, but time that is paid for can be held. Where there is not sufficient financial strength lo-

cally to sponsor a program, ofttimes districts pool their resources to purchase station time. In that case a spot announcement is worded so as to give recognition to all churches and their respective locations.

Because of the cost involved, large stations with wide coverage are handled by state and district participation or cooperative districts. Recently in a large southern city, five districts banded together to sponsor FORWARD IN FAITH over a very prominent station. While the spot announcements are alternated, this also shows the public the strength of the church in that area.

Businessmen who are grateful to God for prospering their work are eager to assist gospel endeavors. Radio time in mission areas is underwritten by such friends of the broadcast.

At a recent meeting with the Radio Commission, Speaker Ray H. Hughes asked that we give him our full support in extending the ministry of FORWARD IN FAITH. In the light of our Lord's soon return, the urgency of these times, and because we are commissioned by Him to take the gospel unto the uttermost, I am appealing to the ministry and laity of the Church of God to use your influence and resources in extending this ministry into every community.

For immediate results, write directly to: FORWARD IN FAITH, Cleveland, Tennessee.



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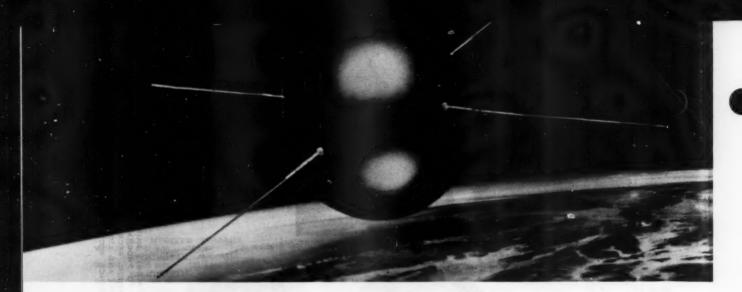
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# ALOOK AT THE WORLD

RAY H. HUGHES

HE WORLD SCENE today is enough to make even the most stouthearted tremble. Only a casual glance at the daily newspaper tends to tighten the tenseness within the bosom of man. Even now while I am ministering to you, the world is holding its breath in anticipation of what will happen next. Headlines such as "Survival at Home on Family Plan" or "A Shelter in Time Saves Thine" are only indications of the fear that is pent up within the hearts of men. After President Kennedy's request for 207 million dollars to get the United States going on a program of fall-out shelters, people have begun to prepare feverishly against a possible onslaught of thermo-nuclear war. In Chicago the Wonder Building Corporation, probably the largest shelter fabricator in the country, received 104 orders the first day after the President's speech compared to a normal day's 20. Man is working himself to death trying to avoid death. He is enslaved by payments and preparation for a future that is destined to destruction.

Just one year ago I spoke to you over this network of stations on a

subject entitled, "Current Events in Prophecy." Today, just one year later, one can almost hear the death rattle of civilization. World leaders everywhere are alarmed and frightened over the prospect that the power of world destruction now rests in the hands of godless men and the major part of civilization could be wiped out overnight. The developments of our time make one wonder if H. G. Wells was not right when he said, "This is the last generation; there will not be another."

This world has become a festering sore, and any one of the world's sore spots could easily turn into a painful international infection. The world is crying "Peace" louder than ever before; but at the same time we are preparing feverishly for war and looking for destruction. Could it be our cry of peace is the same as it was in the days of Israel when Jeremiah cried forth, "They have healed also the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace" (Jeremiah 6:14)? Could it be that we hope for peace and look for war, that we hope for the best and look for the worst, for Jeremiah said, "We looked for peace, but no good came; and for a time of health, and behold trouble!" (Jeremiah 8:15)?

The words of the Lord Jesus in Matthew 24:6, "And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars," certainly must take on new meaning in these last days. The whole world is like a caldron seething with riot and revolt, with war and violence, with terror and fear.

In a recent Life Magazine a reporter made the statement that the world last week was splotched and blotched on all its continents with an unholy rash of big and little troubles. From Berlin to Laos, from Cuba to South Africa, from Portugal to Zanzibar trouble rages. The prophecy of the Lord Jesus that nation shall rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom is fulfilled before our lives every day.

From one day to the next, a nation does not know who is an enemy or an ally. Truces and pacts are not worth the paper on which they are written. Khrushchev bellows forth his lies like a bull of Bashan and casts forth his venom like an adder from the pit without

compunction of conscience and makes truces only for the pleasure of breaking them. In this light there is another fulfillment of the Scripture, for men shall be traitors.

Take your Bible, view the newscasts, listen to the radio commentators, view the happenings round about you, and realize that the end of all things is at hand. The alarming thing to me is that the American people behold these things and remain strangely unmoved. Are we not all aware of the Communist concept of war? I quote, "For the Communists there are no different kinds of war, hot or cold. There is only one war-war to the finish. In this everlasting war, the Communists use any and every weapon from propaganda leaflets to military force, from sabotage and murder to smiles and handshakes. They are always on the offensive."

At the rate that Communism is growing, we could see a universal Communist state in our own lifetime. Soviet tyranny and Red despotism are about to engulf the human race; for even now, one third of the population of the world is under Communist control. Who would have thought just a little more than a generation ago, that Communism would reach from the Baltic Sea to the Pacific Ocean and from Africa to the Caribbean; that ninety miles off the coast of Florida Communism would rear its ugly head, bringing destruction to our own back doorstep. It must be plain to all the world that Russia is bent on world domination.

I have little or no hope for any of the peace plans of our time, because the diplomats and statesmen of our time are endeavoring to settle their problems by human and material methods. These problems are not material problems. The battle of our day is not merely a fleshand-blood war or even a battle of ideologies, but it is a spiritual warfare. It is a rebellion of anti-god forces against the God of heaven.

To prove this fact I have a clipping from the *London Express*, June 4, 1961, entitled, "The Spaceman Takes Over From God."

Anti-religious propaganda has increased in the Russian press

since Major Gagarin's space flight. A magazine has published several cartoons with the theme of a triumphant Gagarin taking over the universe from an aged God. One of the Soviet newspapers published excerpts from letters of its readers and I want to pass them along to you. Here is a letter that was signed A. S. Gerasimova, and I quote, "I want to be the second cosmonaut. I am very old and would not mind risking my life for such a purpose. Why do I want to fly into space? All of my life I have believed in God, in miracles, and in everything that was written in the New Testament. But now I believe only in man's miracles and all-powerful science and technology. Those who create them I consider the real miracle-makers."

Here is another excerpt from a letter, "I am 71 years old and until Gagarin's flight, I was an honest believer in God. On the morning of April 12, I was just lighting the stove when Moscow radio announced important news. A man was sent into space. Can it be that man is challenging God? Now I know—science is God; man is God. Yuri Gagarin shattered my belief in any supernatural Power."

The attitude which is behind the conflicts of our time is that Satan, who lost his former estate, is again rising up against God. His activity is becoming more feverish because he realizes his time is short. If this be true, then stepped-up draft calls, build-up of U.S. forces, increased defense spending, and an accelerated race to the moon are not the answer to our dilemma.

We in America rest at ease saying that Communism could never control our part of the world; but could the statement of Nikita Khrushchev come true? He said, "Your grandchildren in America will be Communists." With Communists this is a passion driven by the energy of hell and backed up by the powers of Satan. Eighty per cent of Russian young people are studying English in order to

teach your children the Communistic doctrine.

Did you ever stop to think that if Red China is admitted to the U.N., they will rate no less than thirty-two posts on the basis of their population which is 650 million? This would be six more posts than the United States, the United Kingdom, France, and Canada combined. The controlling power of the world would be Communistic. Yes, friend, that is how close we are to being controlled by Communistic ideology.

Some persons are so materially minded and pleasure-conscious and have such little conviction for true Christianity until they have adopted the philosophy, "Better Red Than Dead," To me it would be better to burn at the stake or to be sacrificed on the altars of Christianity than to bow to the anti-God forces of Communism. The pathetic picture of our times is that the "distress of nations with perplexity" and the various fulfillments of Bible prophecy have failed to provoke righteousness; instead man goes deeper in his sin.

A recent newspaper article was entitled, "News from Industry—Record Year for Beer." Almost all of the chief beer-drinking countries drank more than in years before. In America we drank an extra five glasses a head on the average bringing individual consumption up from 18.4 to 18.7 gallons. Here are some more headlines: "Belief in God Not Necessary to Hold Public Office"; "Court Bars Bibles From Florida Schools."

The FBI's 1960 crime clock lists one murder every fifty-eight minutes; one forcible rape every thirty-four minutes; a robbery every six minutes; an auto theft every two minutes. Major crimes in 1960 jumped 14 per cent over 1950 and 98 per cent over 1950. The increase in crime was four times greater than the population growth. Youth crime averaged one arrest for every



twenty-six youngsters. Stolen property charges against juveniles have increased 105 per cent since 1955.

The question is asked, "Since we are a Christian nation, will not God honor us in this present conflict?" My friend, God is no more obligated to protect us in our sins and withhold disaster from our doors and catastrophe from our nation than any other people. God does not grant special immunity to nations simply because of who they are; but we are judged for what we are.

At this point in human history we are financially strong and morally weak. We are materially great but spiritually bankrupt. Remember, God is not a respecter of persons and has never overlooked sin. Sin must be punished and if we coddle it in our bosom, He will not withhold His wrath.

Israel was God's chosen people, His own peculiar treasure, but He said of them in Jeremiah 12:17, "But if they will not obey, I will utterly pluck up and destroy that nation, saith the Lord."

Some persons are mistaking the prosperity of our country for the approval of God, but we must realize that this was the condition of Sodom when it fell. Ezekiel 16:49, 50, "Behold, this was the iniquity of thy sister Sodom, pride, fulness of bread, and abundance of idleness was in her and in her daughters. neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy. And they were haughty, and committed abomination before me: therefore I took them away as I saw good." It would be well for us to remember that the Psalmist said in Psalm 9:17, "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God."

Where is God in our nation today? On our coins we have the inscription "In God we trust." In recent years we have added the words "under God" to our pledge of allegiance to the American flag; but is not this mere lip service? Do not our actions speak louder than words? Where is our God in whom we trust on Sunday mornings when the churches are comparatively empty and the beaches are lined? Where is our God on Sunday night when the theaters are full and the churches are closed for the summer? Has our God gone on vacation?

Where is our God when we won't ask grace over the food that God has supplied from His bountiful hand, simply because Khrushchev sits at the table? But you say, "We don't want to offend him." What about offense against the great God of heaven who has blessed this country with a surplus of food until it is stockpiled all over the nation?

We must return to the faith of our fathers. Hear the clarion call of the prophet Malachi calling us back to God, "Return unto me, and I will return unto you, saith the Lord of hosts." The Word of God says that "... righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people." The wise man is not to glory in his wisdom, nor the strong man in his might, but he that glorieth is to glory in this, that he knoweth God.

My friend, it is simple and you may pass it by as a much-repeated warning; but except you repent, you shall all likewise perish. I am calling upon the ministers of our nation to repent for their pulpit

laxity, for the lay members to repent of their worldliness, and for the nation to repent for its gross immorality.

O our God, I confess the sins of our nation. We have forgotten you days without number. We have neglected our Bibles and family altars. We have become wicked, vile, and vulgar. We have stooped to the very dregs and pits of iniquity. For this. our Master, forgive our nation. O our God, the ministers of our time have failed to preach the full gospel. They have left out the blood and supplanted it with works. They have preached social reform and made man at ease in his sins. They have preached for popularity and caused the people to err. They have been more interested in position and popularity than in principle and gospel preaching. Forgive our ministry, I pray, O God. And then, dear God, for each of us as individuals, our trespasses have grown up to the heavens and our iniquities have grown over our heads. We blush to lift up our faces to Thee, O righteous God; but now. dear Father, forgive us for the sins and save us from destruction.



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### Hitching Your Star to a Wagon

By Hollis L. Green

An article on Vocational Guidance for Youth

(Continued from October 9)

Are you a dedicated Christian? Interested in soul-winning? Active in your local church? Do you feel a call of God on your life? Are you absolutely, prayerfully commit-ted to God's will? Are you clear-minded, convinced, daring, willing to reach out for the "high calling" in life? In addition to the "absolute assurance and conviction that God has called you into the ministry.' the Reverend James A. Cross, a general church official, lists these aptitudes needed to enter the ministry: "A deep-seated love for humanity—a passion for souls—a sincere desire to help your fellow man, a pleasant personality, a neat appearance—a reasonable ability to speak and to clearly express your ideas—a love of study, and a passion for God's Word." Seek God's will for your life. He may guide you into the ministry. missions

Do you have physical stamina? Are you emotionally stable? Are you alert intellectually? Are you willing to labor where the "fields are 'black' unto harvest"? Are you socially sensitive? Are you spiritually compelled to witness for Christ? Are you willing to give your life? Elisabeth Elliot, wife of a martyred missionary in Ecuador, remains on the field and says, "I can have no other vocation than that of a missionary." Do you have that kind of devotion? Dr. Bob Pierce, president of World Vision, says it takes "absolute dedication and complete obedience to the will of God, a love for the people and an understanding of their culture and problems and a willingness to work in spite of sweat, dirt and tears," to succeed as a missionary. In addition to these qualities, Paul H. Walker, former executive missions secretary, says a missionary "must have the quality of stead-fastness." Do you have what it takes to be a missionary? Ask God for His guidance.

In addition to "a marked musical talent and an appreciation for music in general," A. T. Humphries, Dean of the School of Music, Lee College, says one must possess these qualities to succeed in the field of music: "A desire to be a musician more than anything

else; above average intelligence; physical stamina and emotional stability." He adds that "a willing-ness to study the theory of music, patience to practice long hours and a determination to succeed are necessary for those who want to make music a career." Do you have these qualities? Are you a well-integrated person? Willing to study? Are you ambitious? Do you have a sense of time, rhythm, pitch? Interested in harmony? Can you read a score, understand musical terms? Maybe you should enter the field of music.

Do you have a desire to serve others? Are you reliable? Do you have sympathy and skill in caring for the sick, the helpless? Do you have energy, plus an even temper and a sunny disposition? Are you in good health? Can you control your emotions? Are you discreet? Do you appreciate neatness and system? Would you like to preare for a career that would help pare for a career that would help you serve humanity, be happier in marriage and parenthood? Then consider the field of professional nursing.

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JOYCE HELEN JORDAN Kannapolis, North Carolina

Joyce was born August 7, 1940, attended Canon High School and A. L. Brown High School, both in Kan-napolis, North Carolina, and graduated a member of the National Honor Society. She attended the Appalachian State Teachers Col-lege and received her B.A. degree in 1961 with a double major in English and Spanish. She was a student teacher at Mooresville Senior High School, teaching Senior Eng-



lish and Spanish I and II. This year she is teaching at A. L. Brown High School. During the summer months Joyce plans to work on her Master's degree and hopes to teach in college. She said, "As a teacher I want to be the teacher God will be want to be the teacher God will be proud of and able to use at any time for any reason. He paid the price for my redemption; now I owe Him my life—my best."

Joyce is a member of "The Youth for Christ Trio" and is on the music committee at the Elm Street Church of God in Kenne.

Street Church of God in Kanna-polis. She is part-time organist at the church and she also plays the piano. Her hobby is music: piano,

plano. Her nobby is music: plano, organ, and singing.
When asked what being a Christian meant to her, she replied, "to know Jesus as my personal Saviour and as my Comforter is the greatest consolation that life has to of fer. It is a joy living for Jesus, and I love Him more and more with each passing day. It is my desire to please Him in everything I do and to be the Christian that He would

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### SEE HONDURAS WITH ME

By ORVILLE P. O'BANNON Supervisor, English Division

N MY WAY to the convention in the Spanish section of Honduras I visited some of the churches under my supervision. God gave us a safe trip, for which I thank Him from the deep of my heart. Origin was LaCeiba where we live, and destination was in the mountainous town of Armenia.

We had five days and nights of wonderful services and workers meetings. The Lord was there to bless all that would let Him, and everyone seemed to be in need of His blessings.

I could not understand very much of what was being said since I cannot speak much Spanish vet. but I could understand the power and blessings of the Lord. Brother Dilbert Henry, one of my bi-lingual pastors, went along to interpret for me. I was asked to preach the mission sermon and those poor people gave fifty-one dollars, which would be equivalent to many hundreds of dollars for us. They are very poor in this world's goods, but they have the Lord just like we do. I was impressed with their attitude.

When they come in to pray they do not merely get down and pray a few minutes, but they often pray for hours at a time. We had some wonderful singing and people were saved, healed, and blessed in every way.

The people start saving pigs, or



Enrique Aldana, William R. McCall, Orville O'Bannon, at the convention.



Brother O'Bannon, his wife, Jeannette, and sons, Orville, Jr., and James

chickens, a little corn, beans and other things for months before the convention; before it starts the district pastor collects it all and it is used for the few days of convention. Everyone had plenty to eat.

Brother W. R. McCall, the overseer of Guatemala City district in Guatemala, was there for the first three days and he brought us some good messages. He preached without an interpreter, and speaks Spanish well. Three of his ministers had accompanied him and they spoke and sang for us before they returned to Guatemala. They came over from their convention which had just ended. The border between the two countries is just a few miles away from Armenia.

It was a great experience in my life, and I shall never forget being up there with Overseer Enrique Aldama and his brethren. He is one of the finest Christians that I have ever met and I know that he is going to do a good work here in Honduras. This is still his first year of supervisory work for the Lord and the Church of God.

We desire your prayers and support in Honduras, because there is so much to be done and such a short time to do it. The Lord is surely coming soon.

### Our Substitutes at the Front

A/1c Howard R. Wilson
"I am stationed at a remote site in Alsaka where there is no form of Sunday worship service. Being a member of the Church of God at Valdosts. Georgis, and coming to a place like this has really been a struggle for me to stand true to God. I still have faith in God and know that HE is able to help me no matter what trials and temptations we might have coming our way."



Bu L. E. HEIL Missionary to Japan



A real revival has begun in the Evreux, France, Church of God, pastored by S/Sgt. Bobby Butler, who is a licensed min-ister in the Church of God, serving with the military service in France. Reverend J. Don Amison, our servicemen's repre-sentative in Europe was the Evangelist.

In France. Reverend J. Don Amison, our servicemen's representative in Europe was the Evangelist.

Jeff IS THREE HOURS before this shaky airplane is scheduled to touch the ground again at the Tokyo International Airport. This should be ample time to sketch for you a picture that is running through my memory. For a few minutes after our take-off, the measureless expanse of the Pacific could be seen to our left and the patchwork of thousands of rice fields was below us. They are still there but are no longer visible as it is a very cloudy day, and we seem to be flying through milk. Yes, the small farms are still down there as they have been for centuries, with few men cultivating more than an acre. Looking down, as is possible from such a vantage point as this, one can see the land from a different perspective. I have been reminded that as each of the tiny paddles helps to make up Japan, so the work which each of us does serves to make up God's great kingdom.

Although I again turn toward Yokohama, my thoughts go back to Misawa Air Force Base, where I have spent the past four days. Misawa is located about 600 miles from Tokyo and is the northernmost U.S. Millitary installation on the island of Honshu (Japan's main island).

After riding all night on a train which was not at all conducive to sleeping, I arrived at the small fishing town of Furumaki, where Airman George Matheny met me at the station. He has been conducting weekly services in his home and had requested that I come to Misawa for a few nights of special services.

Although I had planned for four evening services, I soon learned that my planning had been inadequate. Little time was allowed to look with awe at the F-100's and F-102's as they crisscrossed the skies faster than the speed of sound. From the morning of my arrival until after midnight of the fourth day, I was kept busy. More than being impressed by the supersonic jets and the large amounts of essential equipment and material stockpled here for the defense of northern Japan, I was made aware a

We are approaching the landing strip and Tokyo leaps up to meet us. . .

We are approaching the landing strip and Tokyo leaps up to meet us. . . . The wheels are on the ground again and we experience that relief at having arrived safely in spite of the ever-present perils of the skies. God is good and I am reminded that "He that keepeth thee will not slumber" (Psalm 121:3). Within three days the Bible school will begin its second quarter; I will find myself very busy preparing lessons to keep the students busy, but I shall not soon forget the experiences of the past four days which have brought to my attention the heartbeats and heart cries of our G.I.'s. Will you join me in remembering them . . at the THRONE OF GRACE?

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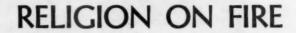
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